

Food and Drug Administration  
Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition  
Office of Special Nutritionals

ARMS#

12462



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COMPLAINT/INJURY REPORT				1. COMPLAINT NUMBER FLA-8747 12462	
				2. DATE OF COMPLAINT (Month/Day/Year) 7/8/97	
3. FORM OF COMPLAINT	(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TELEPHONE (2) <input type="checkbox"/> LETTER (3) <input type="checkbox"/> VISIT	4. SOURCE OF COMPLAINT	(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONSUMER (2) <input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> L <input type="checkbox"/> S <input type="checkbox"/> F	(3) <input type="checkbox"/> TRADE SOURCE (4) <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (Indicate in Remarks)	
5. COMPLAINANT IDENTIFICATION	a. NAME AND ADDRESS (Include Zip Code)		b. AREA CODE AND TELEPHONE NUMBER HOME WORK		
6. COMPLAINT OR INJURY	a. DESCRIPTION OF COMPLAINT/INJURY Complainant stated that her son had taken four capsules of the product and experienced tremors, tingling all over, couldn't sleep, and felt like he was going to pass out. Her son has seen a physician and cardiologist. An ERG was performed and was abnormal.				b. DOES COMPLAINANT EXPECT ADDITIONAL FDA CONTACT? (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO (2) <input type="checkbox"/> YES (Explain in Remarks)
7. INJURY OR ILLNESS RESULTED (1) <input type="checkbox"/> NO (2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES (If "yes" complete items a through d)	a. EIB (HFC-167) NOTIFIED (1) <input type="checkbox"/> NO (2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES DATE 7/8/97	b. TYPE SYMPTOMS ONSET (HR.) 1. <input type="checkbox"/> VOMITING 2. <input type="checkbox"/> NAUSEA 3. <input type="checkbox"/> DIARRHEA 4. <input type="checkbox"/> FEVER 5. <input type="checkbox"/> SKIN/EYE IRR. 6. <input type="checkbox"/> HEADACHE 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER 3 hours	c. ATTENDING HEALTH PROFESSIONAL (1) <input type="checkbox"/> NO (2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES (If "yes" give name, address, and phone number) phy: [redacted] cardi: DR. unknown at this time	d. HOSPITALIZATION REQUIRED (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO (2) <input type="checkbox"/> YES (If "yes" give name, address, phone number and dates)	
8. PRODUCT AND LABELING	a. BRAND NAME GNC		b. PRODUCT NAME Ripped Fuel		
	c. SIZE AND PACKAGE TYPE 60 caps plastic bottle		d. NAME AND LOCATION OF STORE WHERE PURCHASED		
	e. PACKAGE CODE/SERIAL NUMBER/ETC. 6A170 or GA170 EXP/USE BY DATE:		f. DATE PURCHASED o/a 6/16/97		g. PRODUCT USED (If "yes" enter date) (1) <input type="checkbox"/> NO (2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES
	h. AMT REMAINING all but 4				
9. MANUFACTURER/DISTRIBUTOR OF PRODUCT	a. HOME DISTRICT New York	c. NAME AND LOCATION OF FIRM (Include Zip Code) labeled as: Twin Labs Ronkonkomo, NY 11779			d. IMPORT PRODUCT (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO (2) <input type="checkbox"/> YES
10. EVALUATION AND DISPOSITION	a. PROBLEM KEYWORD (1) CODE RX (2) DESCRIPTION reaction		c. DISPOSITION (1) <input type="checkbox"/> IMMEDIATE FOLLOW-UP (2) <input type="checkbox"/> FU NEXT EI (3) <input type="checkbox"/> CLOSED WITHOUT FURTHER INVESTIGATION (4) <input type="checkbox"/> REFERRED TO OTHER FEDERAL AGENCY (Closes File) (5) <input type="checkbox"/> REFERRED TO STATE/LOCAL AGENCY (Closes File) (6) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REFERRED TO OTHER FDA NY DISTRICT		11. PRODUCT CODE 54YCA99
	b. EVALUATION (1) <input type="checkbox"/> NOT AN FDA OBLIGATION (2) <input type="checkbox"/> OBLIGATION, NO VIOLATION (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FDA ACTION INDICATED (4) <input type="checkbox"/> INSUFFICIENT INFORMATION UNABLE TO EVALUATE				12. INFORMATION COPIES TO: <input type="checkbox"/> HFB-100 <input type="checkbox"/> HFC-343 <input type="checkbox"/> HFD-730 <input type="checkbox"/> HFC-161 <input type="checkbox"/> HFV-236 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Xfaxed to HES-635 (202) 205-9670
REMARKS ATTENTION: ARMS MONITOR					
NAME AND TITLE Julie D. Bringger, Investigator				DATE 7/8/97	

## Adverse Reaction Information Form A

Memo 10/24/97  
Subject: Furov assist + 07047

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Attached 4

Complaint Number: FA-8747Investigator: Julie D. Bringer

Consumer Information		
Date of Report: <u>10/16/97*</u> MM/DD/YY * follow-up date	Initial Report Source: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORA Consumer Injury	
<input type="checkbox"/> Telephone <input type="checkbox"/> Correspondence <input type="checkbox"/> MedWatch <input type="checkbox"/> USP <input type="checkbox"/> PQRS <input type="checkbox"/> Poison Control <input type="checkbox"/> CDC		
Name: <u>[REDACTED]</u>	Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> F <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> M	Age: <u>20 yrs</u>
Race: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1-White <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Black <input type="checkbox"/> 3-Asian/Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> 4-Native American <input type="checkbox"/> 5-Hispanic <input type="checkbox"/> 8-Other <input type="checkbox"/> 9-Unknown		
Information on Adverse Reaction		
Date of Adverse Reaction: <u>01/06/97</u>	Give the site of consumption/ingestion (e.g. home, restaurant, office): <u>home</u>	
Previous Reaction to Product Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
Describe the adverse event (including symptoms and the time lapse from using product to onset of symptoms): <u>Symptoms began on Sunday following ingestion of product &amp; separate occasions. Felt like going to pass out, numbness, blacking out, tremors.</u> How long did the symptoms last? <u>1 week after discontinuing the product</u> Give the circumstances of exposure (e.g., dose, route of exposure, frequency, etc.): <u>Took 2 tabs on a Thursday. To 2 tabs the following Friday. Took 2 tabs Saturday morning and then 2 tabs 2 hours later.</u> List all Medication(s), Dietary Supplement(s), Food(s), and other product(s) used at the time of the event: <u>- nothing other than possibly Vitamin C. - had eaten turkey sandwich for lunch.</u> Did event abate after use of suspected product stopped or dose reduced: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown Did symptoms reoccur after reintroduction of suspected product: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable Did symptoms reoccur after using other products with the same ingredients: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable		
Medical Information		
Was a health care provider seen?: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Give health care provider's name, address and telephone number: <u>[REDACTED]</u>		
Occupation of Health Care Provider: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MD <input type="checkbox"/> Osteopath <input type="checkbox"/> Naturopath <input type="checkbox"/> Nurse <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacist <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____		
What medical tests were performed and what were the results? What was the medical diagnosis? What treatment(s) was given (e.g., drugs, other)? <u>SEE MEDICAL RECORDS</u>		
Were there any preexisting condition(s)/treatment(s)? (If YES, list them including allergies, and chronic diseases): <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
Product Category		
1. Adverse reaction to: <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Food (under medical supervision) <input type="checkbox"/> Infant Formula <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dietary Supplement (a vitamin; an essential mineral; a protein; a herb or similar nutritional substances including botanicals such as ginseng and yohimbe; amino acids; extracts from animal glands; garlic extract; fish oils; oil of evening primrose; fibers such as psyllium and guar gum; compounds not generally recognized as food or nutrients, such as bioflavonoids, enzymes, germanium, nucleic acids, para-amino-benzoic acid, and rutin; and mixtures of these ingredients.) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (traditional food) _____ <u>Other Product Problems</u> 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Object (specify): _____ 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): _____		

## Information on Suspected/Alleged Product

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Give the product name (including dose/serving size, duration of use, and reason for taking):

TWINLAB METABOLIC ENHANCER RIPPED FUEL

- SEE LABELING FOR dosage, duration

List product ingredients (if ingredients are suspected to be present, but not verified, list as suspected):

☐ Check here if ingredients are unknown

Mahuang Extract, Guarana Extract, L-Carnitine, Chromium

If a particular ingredient is suspected of contributing to the reaction, please indicate the appropriate category below:

☐ Aspartame

☐ Color Additive (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Monosodium Glutamate

☐ Sulfite

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Unknown

Product Label Available: ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown Product Sample Available: ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

obtained copy of label

\*Can get spl of product if warranted

## Outcome Attributed to Adverse Event:

(If yes, include pertinent medical records)

Death: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Life-Threatening: ☐ Yes ☒ No (SEE MEDICAL RECORDS)

Hospitalization: ☐ Yes ☒ No (if YES, indicate if initial or prolonged) \_\_\_\_\_

Required intervention to prevent permanent impairment/damage: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Did the adverse reaction result in a congenital anomaly: ☐ Yes ☒ No

**Memorandum**

Food and Drug Administration

Date October 24, 1997

From Julie D. Bringger, Investigator  
[REDACTED]

Subject Florida district assignment  
#970417 - Kipped Fuel

To Terry G. Forrest, Supervisory Investigator  
Florida District Office

FIRM: Twin Laboratories, Inc.  
Ronkonkoma, NY 11779  
CTN: 2421049

This memorandum documents FLA-DO's follow-up to the subject assignment (Attachment 1) which originated from CFSAN, Division of Field Program Planning and Evaluation. Referenced assignment involved the collection of medical records, completion of an adverse event questionnaire, and product labeling regarding FLA-DO complaint #FLA-8747. A copy of the assignment and the complaint is included as Attachment 1.

On 10/16/97, an authorization for medical records disclosure was obtained from the complainant's son and subsequently delivered to the family physician's office for processing. I explained to the physician's office that I needed records pertaining to a visit made on or around 6/16/97. Records pertaining to a 6/24/97 visit were provided and are included as Attachment 2.

To: Ronald R. Roy, CFSAN, HFS-636, Domestic Programs Branch, Division of Field Program Planning and Evaluation

Requested information is attached.

*Terry G. Forrest*  
Terry G. Forrest, SI  
FLA-DO

cc: [REDACTED]  
: PRD



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MEMO: PAGE TWO

SUBJECT: FLA-DO #070417

Labeling was obtained via purchase of one product container from the store the original product was purchased from. After the labeling was copied the product was field destroyed. The labeling is included as Attachment 3. The adverse event questionnaire was completed at the same time the authorization for medical records was obtained. The completed adverse event questionnaire is included as Attachment 4.

*Julie D. Bringger*  
Julie D. Bringger, 203  
Investigator, [REDACTED]

ATTACHMENTS 1-4

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